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**State of California's newly redesigned CalJOBSSM online job
system is open for business**

***Popular job site offers new features for both
job seekers and employers***

SACRAMENTO – The California Employment Development Department (EDD) has successfully launched its newly redesigned CalJOBSSM website, and more than 438,000 users have already taken advantage of the site's new features.

CalJOBSSM is the state's online job resource center where job seekers can find local and statewide employment and labor market information while employers can post job listings. The result is both job seekers and employers benefit from the newly enhanced service by matching up potential employees with promising job openings. There are no costs or fees to use CalJOBSSM.

"This is an exciting redesign of a valuable online resource for all job seekers and employers in California," said EDD Director Pam Harris. "With this updated, more user-friendly system, job seekers can do targeted job searches, build résumés, access career resources, and get information on education and training programs, while employers can quickly post their job listings and search for qualified applicants."

Under federal guidelines, all individuals receiving Unemployment Insurance (UI) must register for work with their state employment service. In California, that means individuals receiving UI benefits must register on CalJOBSSM and maintain an active résumé. UI claimants can also use CalJOBSSM to research their local labor markets and find information on available training.

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Convenient and Comprehensive

EDD redesigned the popular site to provide comprehensive services as well as a user-friendly online experience. Conveniences of the new website include:

- Online access to employment services 24 hours a day;
- Career tools to help users' effectively find jobs that match their skills, values, and interests;
- User-friendly options to assess local labor markets;
- Comprehensive information on education and training programs;
- The ability to track and manage all job search activities;
- Unduplicated job postings from across the Internet; and
- Equal access for Spanish speakers, as well as those who are visually impaired.

More Than 63,000 New Users

Since its debut last month (March 11), more than 63,000 new users have logged onto the redesigned CalJOBSSM website. Along with returning users, this brings the total number of users on the system to more than 438,000. Those who were previously registered on the CalJOBSSM website can log in with their current username and password to access the new site.

The new site has also seen almost 76,000 new résumés posted by users, and nearly 180,000 résumés have been edited or customized by users for particular types of jobs and vocations.

Services for Job Seekers

Here's a look at what job seekers can do on the new CalJOBSSM system:

- Quickly build a professional, formatted résumé that reflects their skills sets and experience, and that can be viewed by employers online;
- Create and upload multiple versions of their résumé, tailored to specific career paths;
- Access a wide variety of unduplicated job openings from across the Internet, ranging from entry level to executive;
- Customize their job searches, and receive notifications by text and email when job openings of interest to them are posted online;
- Use career tools to effectively find jobs that match their skills, values and interests; and

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- Access comprehensive information on their local labor market, educational and training programs, and financial aid.

Services for Employers

Here's a look at what employers can do on the new CalJOBSSM system:

- Post job listings, and search for qualified employees;
- Keep their employee searches organized;
- Expand their searches as necessary to find qualified applicants for job openings;
- Analyze labor market information; and
- Locate business services.

With the redesign, more than 4,500 new employers have joined the online community of CalJOBSSM, adding to the nearly 15,000 returning employers who are now using the revamped website to post job openings and look for employees.

Since the new CalJOBSSM came online earlier this month, employers have posted 13,000 new jobs and edited more than 11,000 job postings.

CalJOBSSM Also Offers Specialized Customer Services

Users with specific needs can also find information and resources on CalJOBSSM:

- Veterans can find information on veterans' organizations and training resources, and veterans' priority or service job referrals.
- Young people can access their interests, explore careers, search educational and training programs, and find financial aid resources.
- Older workers can match their job skills with job listings, access labor market information, and research training programs.
- People with disabilities can access training programs, One-Stop Career Center information and workshops, such as résumé and cover letter writing, and more.

To access the new CalJOBSSM, visit www.caljobs.ca.gov. For more information on EDD's programs and services, including employment and training services, UI benefits, State Disability Insurance and Paid Family Leave, go to www.edd.ca.gov.